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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Counsel

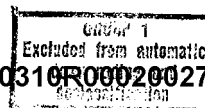
SUBJECT : International Relations of Atomic
Energy for the Year 1947

REFERENCE : Memorandum from D/Security to
General Counsel, dated 11 March
1970; Subject as above

1. On 3 November 1969 Mr. S. Everett Gleason, Chief, Foreign Relations Division, Historical Office, Bureau of Public Affairs, Department of State requested permission from Dr. Hewlett, Chief, Historian, Atomic Energy Commission to publish certain articles in an unclassified journal entitled "Foreign Relations, 1947". Included in the articles were two memoranda, one dated 15 December 1947 from the DCI on the subject of "Status of Russian Atomic Energy Project" and the other dated 24 July 1947 on "Long Range Detection of Atomic Explosions" from the Chairman AEC to the Director of the Central Intelligence Group. Both documents were highly classified at the time they were issued. Attached to the articles were State Security guidelines which permitted storage and other handling of such documents as if they were classified CONFIDENTIAL, provided they were dated 1949 or earlier.

2. A representative of this Office visited the Security Office, Department of State and was referred to Mr. S. Everett Gleason. Mr. Gleason apologized for the manner in which his division handled the two CIA documents. He stated that he has issued instructions to his subordinates to store and otherwise handle CIA documents in accordance with established criteria based upon the defense classification of the documents and to obtain CIA approval if any declassification and/or downgrading is required. He indicated that since very few CIA

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documents would be involved no difficulty would be experienced in complying with these requirements.

3. It is believed that the foregoing procedures by State Department will insure appropriate security handling of Agency documents by the Historical Office, Department of State and no further action is contemplated by this Office.



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